

NINE GOVERNORS DECLARE FOR TAFT

Three Others Have Also Spoken
for Him, Making Twelve to
Roosevelt's Eight.

ONE IS FOR LA FOLLETTE

Republican Executives Send Word to
Washington of Their Hearty
Support.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—President Taft's headquarters made public to-night messages received from nine Republican Governors endorsing the Taft Administration and assuring the President of their loyalty and confidence in his success. These Governors were E. O. Eberhart of Minnesota, M. E. Hay of Washington, D. F. Carroll of Iowa, S. S. Pennewill of Delaware, John K. Tener of Pennsylvania, Ben W. Hooper of Tennessee, Philip Lee Goldborough of Maryland, William Spry of Utah and A. J. Pothier of Rhode Island.

In addition to these President Taft has already been assured of the support of Govs. Charles S. Deneen of Illinois, T. L. Oddie of Nevada and J. A. Mead of Vermont. President Taft is therefore backed by twelve Republican Governors.

As against these twelve Republican Governors Col. Roosevelt has been endorsed by eight. Those who have declared for the Colonel are W. E. Glasscock of West Virginia, Chester H. Aldrich of Nebraska, Robert P. Bass of New Hampshire, Chase S. Osborn of Michigan, W. R. Subbs of Kansas, Herbert S. Hadley of Missouri, Joseph M. Carey of Wyoming and Robert S. Vessey of South Dakota. The first of these Governors signed the call which brought forth Roosevelt's announcement of his candidacy.

The statement issued at the Taft headquarters to-night says that Gov. Cary of Wyoming has "reserved judgment" following the recent political pronouncements of Col. Roosevelt. Inasmuch as Gov. Cary signed the call to Roosevelt this statement aroused a good deal of interest. It was said that the call went to Roosevelt before he had delivered his Columbus speech and that Gov. Cary had announced his endorsement of Roosevelt since that speech, although all of the other Governors concerned have done so.

A good deal of doubt has been expressed off and on as to where Gov. Eberhart of Minnesota would finally land and the announcement from Taft headquarters allays all doubt in regard to him. Gov. F. E. McGovern of Wisconsin is committed to the Presidential candidacy of Senator La Follette. This accounts for all of the Republican Governors.

Four of the telegrams signed by the Governors who have declared for Taft are from the Mississippi River, where Roosevelt is supposed to be strong. The Taft people contend furthermore that in the States whose electoral votes are necessary for Republican success at the polls next November but which now have Democratic Governors the men who ran for Governors at the last election are supporting Taft.

Here are some of the things that the Republican Governors say in their messages to the President:

President Taft's Administration, measured by all standards of accomplishment and fidelity to duty, entitles him to the endorsement of a second term, which I believe the inherent sense of fairness and justice of the American people will ungrudgingly give him.

ADOLPH A. EBERHART,
Governor of Minnesota.

Two administrations can point to the endorsement of so many wise and progressive men as that of President Taft. I am convinced that we can make greater progress under Mr. Taft as President than by "sitting horses" at this period. I unqualifiedly endorse the President's arbitration peace treaties, his stand to take the tariff out of politics by the creation of a tariff commission and the honest and impartial administration of the national affairs. He has been a constructive administration, reducing to statutory laws many of the policies advocated by his illustrious predecessor, and he has proved himself an even stronger and able executive than Mr. Roosevelt.

There is no justice in the opposition to President Taft. His administration has been clean and capable and in harmony with platform pledges. No other man can serve the country so well as he during the next four years and the interests of the party as well as the country demands his re-nomination. He is in all fairness entitled to the support of his party for another term and a just and righteous application of the doctrine of the square deal would accord him recognition without a contest.

H. B. CARROLL,
Governor of Iowa.

I am strongly in favor of President Taft's re-nomination. His splendid record would insure his reelection by a large majority.

SIMON K. PENNEWILL,
Governor of Delaware.

Confusion in business and in affairs generally was the legacy awaiting President Taft when he entered upon the duties of his office. Pledged by himself and his party to correct this condition he undertook the most difficult task since Lincoln's time and has succeeded. Should the tariff bill now advocated by the Democratic House become a law it would strike down our industries and impose suffering and want upon the people of Pennsylvania.

In view of the able manner in which President Taft has conducted his office, the constructive and substantial achievements of his Administration and his advocacy of a protective tariff, the Keystone State, I am sure, will go into convention for his re-nomination and give an overwhelming majority for him upon election day. I unhesitatingly predict his reelection.

JOHN K. TENER,
Governor of Pennsylvania.

President Taft is personally popular in Tennessee and his Administration commands general public confidence. The State organization is loyally supporting the President and from present indications he will get the vote of Tennessee in the national convention.

BEN W. HOOPER,
Governor of Tennessee.

It is my opinion that President Taft has

given the country one of the best Administrations in its history. His policy of growing out of changing economic conditions have been met with patience and wisdom and are being solved in a statesmanlike manner. A remarkable long list of constructive administrative reforms have been brought about under his leadership. I firmly believe that when the record of the Republican party under his leadership is fully made known to the people they will rally to his standard, renominate and reelect him.

PHILIP LEE GOLDBOROUGH,
Governor of Maryland.

President Taft is a safe man at the head of the nation. His administration has been able and statesmanlike in the broadest sense. His record entitles him to a re-nomination, in which event he should receive a most emphatic popular endorsement.

A. J. POTHIER,
Governor of Rhode Island.

I have heretofore publicly expressed myself as favoring the re-nomination of President William H. Taft, and voiced my belief that Utah will send a Taft delegation to the national convention. I accord my support for the reason that the administration of President Taft during the past three years has been distinguished as an administration of ability and fidelity, the two highest qualities that are required of men of public affairs in the nation. I regard him as the most logical as well as the strongest man whose name has been mentioned in connection with the Republican Presidential nomination. I am confident that Utah will send a Taft delegation to the national convention.

WILLIAM SPRY,
Governor of Utah.

TAFT GETS MORE DELEGATES.

Various District Conventions Choose Delegates for the President.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—While Col. Roosevelt fulminates President Taft continues to get the delegates. Word was received at the White House to-night that the First district convention of Alabama to-day endorsed the Administration and instructed for Taft. The Second district convention in the same State also elected Taft delegates. In the Eleventh district of Georgia the Administration was endorsed and delegates instructed for Taft without dissenting votes. The Republican district convention at Columbia, Tenn., unanimously instructed for Taft and passed a resolution against the third term.

The First district of Virginia also elected Taft delegates and instructed for him.

MOB ATTACKS AMERICANS.

Hot Fighting at Kingston, Jamaica.—Governor Injured.—Policeman Killed.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN.

KINGSTON, Jamaica, Feb. 27.—There were desperate pitched battles in the streets of this city last night as the result of the trouble with the street car company. The battles took place between armed policemen and looters. Several of the policemen were shot dead. More than thirty persons were injured. The looters held the city at their mercy for several hours and smashed up public and private property.

Many citizens were beat up, including the Governor of the island, Sir Sydney Olivier, who was struck with a brick in the back of the head. His secretary nearly had his arm broken with a blow of a club.

Americans in the city were attacked during the rioting. One party had to fight desperately to save themselves from injury. The party consisted of Capt. Eric Joubert, Duquesne, who went through Africa with a camera, and Mrs. Duquesne, and Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Wortley of Brooklyn. As they drove through the city a shower of stones and bottles fell upon them. Mrs. Duquesne was hit by a brick and badly hurt.

Capt. Duquesne took a hammer from the tool chest under the seat of his automobile and, arming Mr. Wortley with a steel jack fought the mob which surrounded them, knocking two men out. The injured men were taken to the hospital.

Sir Sydney caused the riot act to be read. The police will be armed and ordered to fire on the mobs. A British warship may be called to the island by cable.

BATHTUB CASES DROPPED.

Government Asks for Dismissal of Five Defendants.

DETROIT, Feb. 27.—Five more defendants in the bathtub trust case were released from prosecution to-day when Judge Angell at the request of the Government issued an order of nolle prosequi against them. The men freed are C. H. Voegelé, president of the Burns Manufacturing Company; S. N. Ford, president of the Humphrey Manufacturing Company; Thomas Walker, president of the McVey & Walker Company; W. D. Davis, secretary of the National Sanitary Manufacturing Company; and E. V. Brigham of the Union Sanitary Manufacturing Company.

Following this action of the Government Mr. Honeyman for the defense made a motion for the acquittal of the rest of the defendants, alleging that the Government had not failed in sustaining its conspiracy charge but that the defendants were entitled to immunity on the ground of the Government's own action in subpoenaing the several defendants to furnish sworn information.

Arguments will be continued to-morrow.

STRIKE AT COLUMBIA.

Chorus in the Varsity Show Refuses to Shave Off Mustaches.

The chorus of the Columbia varsity show, which is down to begin a week's run at the Hotel Astor next Monday night, went on strike yesterday afternoon at a rehearsal when Frank Stammers, the coach and director of the production, said that all mustaches must go. Stammers was firm because three of the chorists were to be girls in the show.

An effort was made to get hold of A. D. Alexander, the president of the Players Club, under whose auspices the show is to be given, but Alexander had already left for New Haven, where he was to play on the Columbia basketball team against Yale. Not more than half of the regular chorus was on hand at last night's rehearsal. There will be a general meeting of the strikers and the Players committee this morning, and Alexander will be on hand to straighten out the tangle.

WOMAN DRIVING AUTO KILLS ANOTHER WOMAN

Mrs. Mager Fainting and Mrs. Wagner Dying as Police Race Car to Hospital.

TAXI RUNS DOWN 2 OTHERS

Actress and Wife of Editor Knocked Down While Waiting for a Broadway Car.

An automobile driven by Mrs. Frances J. Mager of 252 West Seventy-sixth street knocked down and killed Mrs. Mary Wagner of 127 West 112th street at 112th street and St. Nicholas avenue early last night. Mrs. Mager, who is the wife of Julius G. A. Mager, Jr., a manufacturer of machines at 211 East Ninety-fourth street, became hysterical after the accident, and during the run to the hospital with her chauffeur in charge of the car and the dying woman as a passenger she was cared for by a policeman who had witnessed the accident and who was forced to divide his attention between the two women.

Two other women, Mrs. Eno Vivian and Miss Bessie Hill, were run down and injured by a taxi cab in the afternoon while they were waiting for a street car at Broadway and Forty-fourth street.

Mrs. Mager, accompanied by her chauffeur, George McNealis of 510 West Forty-second street, had been driving in Central Park and had gone a little way north of the park before turning back to meet her husband at his home. She was driving down St. Nicholas avenue and was nearing the corner of 112th street and going very slowly when Mrs. Wagner got off from a 110th street crosstown car, the line being on St. Nicholas avenue at that point. As Mrs. Wagner alighted a truck shot off her view of the approaching automobile and she stepped from behind the truck directly in the machine's path. She was knocked down and her head crushed between a rear wheel of Mrs. Mager's auto and the curb.

Policeman Callan of the West 112th street station, who saw the accident, helped Mrs. Mager's chauffeur place Mrs. Wagner in the rear of the machine. McNealis took the wheel, and while he raced the automobile to the Harlem Hospital, at 160th street and Lenox avenue, Policeman Callan did his best to quiet Mrs. Mager while he supported Mrs. Wagner. The run to the hospital was made in less than five minutes, but Dr. McKinley of the house staff, who met the auto at the accident gate of the institution, said that Mrs. Wagner was dead. She had not been conscious after the automobile struck her. As her identity was not known then the body was put in the hospital morgue to await identification.

Mrs. Mager was cared for by the nurses at the hospital and when she was somewhat recovered she was put in the automobile and taken to the West 112th street police station. Mr. Mager and Coroner Feinberg were sent for. While awaiting their arrival the station house matron attended Mrs. Mager, who was frantic with grief and unable to tell a connected story. Mr. Mager and the Coroner reached the police station almost together and Mr. Mager succeeded in calming his wife so that she was able to make a statement to the Coroner. She said she was driving very slowly, not more than five miles an hour, when the accident happened and had not seen the other woman until it was too late to make an effort to stop the machine. The chauffeur and Policeman Callan corroborated Mrs. Mager's story and Coroner Feinberg, saying he could not find Mrs. Mager had been to blame, paroled her in the custody of her husband to await the inquest.

Mrs. Mager was still in the station house when Mrs. Wagner's husband, Isidor Wagner, a retired real estate dealer, came in. He had heard that a woman resembling his wife had met with an accident and had come to inquire. Mrs. Mager became hysterical again while listening to Mr. Wagner's description of his wife.

Mr. Wagner went to the hospital to make the identification positive. He faintly and had to be cared for by the doctors before he could go home. Mrs. Wagner was 33 years old. She is survived by three daughters, one of whom is married, and five sons, all but one of whom, who lives in Minneapolis, lived with her.

The taxi cab that ran down the two other automobile victims was driven by Robert A. Stout of 171 Eighth avenue. Mrs. Vivian, who is 50 years old and lives at 407 West 123d street, is the wife of Thomas Vivian, an editor of the New York American. Miss Hill, who is 24 years old, lives at the Hotel Gerard, in West Forty-fourth street.

Mrs. Vivian had attended a reception in the Hotel Astor and had just crossed Broadway when the taxi knocked her down. Miss Hill, who was standing beside her, also was knocked down. One wheel went over Mrs. Vivian's back and at first it was thought she was seriously injured. She was taken to the office of Dr. William F. Stone, 401 West End avenue, her physician, where it was found she had been severely cut about the head. She was removed to her home.

Miss Hill, who had just attended a rehearsal at the Republic Theatre, had her left shoulder broken and her face badly bruised.

Dr. William A. Shoales, 234 West Forty-fourth street, attended her at the Hotel Gerard, where she was taken.

Stout was permitted to go after his name and address had been taken by Policeman Frank Hughes.

France Apologizes to Cuba.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN.

HAVANA, Feb. 27.—The French Minister handed to the Secretary of State to-day an apology for attacks on Cuba's credit made in the French Chamber of Deputies.

DON'T TAKE CHANCES.

Drink Crystal Spring Water bottled at the Spring, Catskill Mts. Phone Murray Hill 580.

GUNNING FOR A SENATOR?

Gebhardt of New Jersey Gets Police Protection in State House.

TRENTON, N. J., Feb. 27.—Senator William C. Gebhardt of Hunterdon county told his fellow Senators in executive session this afternoon that he had been informed that James N. Pidcock, his political rival, had come to Trenton armed and with the avowed intention of shooting him. Pidcock, a bitter political rival of Gebhardt, had been about the Senate chamber and galleries.

Pidcock was sent for and Gebhardt was escorted through a cellar out of the State House. He returned after Pidcock had left, but the policemen remained on guard at the Senate doors the rest of the day.

Pidcock was said to have gone to a hotel for a rest. Friends of Pidcock said that Gebhardt's fears were foolish and that his report to the Senate of the threatened violence was a ruse to arouse sympathy.

Gebhardt is threatened with disbarment proceedings in the Supreme Court and has been threatened with a charge that they were framed up by his political enemies. He is the leader of the Democratic faction in Hunterdon county, known as the Holy Rollers, while Pidcock's followers are known as the Pirates. The feud between the two has been bitter.

BARRY WINS AGAINST PLAYERS

Court of Appeals Restores Writer to Club Membership.

ALBANY, Feb. 27.—By a decision of the Court of Appeals, handed down to-day, Richard Barry of New York wins in his fight to be restored to membership in the Players Club of New York.

His membership was vacated because he wrote a magazine article in March, 1911, criticizing actors as a class. He denied he had violated any of the rules of the club.

Barry joined the Players in 1907. An article of his about stage women appeared in a magazine in March, 1911, in which he wrote:

"Very few persons on the stage know how to feel, though they make some sort of a bluff at it. Education is unnecessary; general association with humanity is tabooed and few of the profession read enough to have any grasp on the things of the mind."

On June 26 last a notice was posted announcing Barry's expulsion. He applied for a writ of mandamus compelling the club to reinstate him. Supreme Court Justice Giegerich denied the writ, ruling that the club had power to drop Barry and was probably justified in doing so under the circumstances. The Appellate Division reversed the lower court, saying there was no real reason for expulsion. The Players took the case up.

DETECTIVES SAW THE HOLDUP.

Grabbed a Footpad After Picking Up Two Alleged Burglars.

Detectives Dalton, Rafits and Boyle of the Charles street station, looking for two men who robbed and set fire to the apartment of Miss Catherine L. Pryor at 316th avenue on February 17, picked up in Bleeker street last night two men answering their description and were on their way to the station house when they crossed Commerce street they saw a footpad throttling a victim down the block. Rafits hung onto the prisoners while Dalton and Boyle got the footpad.

The prisoner who was caught in the act said he was William A. Sherburne, a driver, of 6 Carmine street. The man he had been throttling and from whom he had taken \$2 said he was Charles Ellison, a lawyer, of 20 North William street.

TRUST OFFERS TO DISSOLVE.

Aluminum Officials Seek Compromise With Government.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—The aluminum trust officials offered to-day to compromise the anti-trust suit against them by voluntarily dissolving.

Special Government Prosecutor Chatland conferred with Department of Justice officials and representatives of the aluminum combine to this end. It has been the Department's policy thus to compromise.

If Assistant Attorney-General Fowler approves of the compromise a friendly dissolution suit will be started at Pittsburgh and the company will bow to the court's decree.

MRS. BEACH NOT IN DANGER.

Alken Council Offers Reward for Arrest of Her Assassin.

AIKEN, S. C., Feb. 27.—The City Council, in special session this afternoon, offered \$1,500 reward for the arrest of the man who last night murderously assaulted Mrs. Frederick O. Beach of New York at her front gate in the heart of Aiken.

COST MAYOR \$10,000 OR SO TO SETTLE

Gen. Bingham's Expenses in Suing Him Were Paid by the Defendant.

DUFFY CASE EXPENSIVE

Extract From the Mayor's Examination About It Before the Referee.

It took more than a letter of apology to settle the suit of Gen. Theodore Bingham against Mayor Gaynor, which was discontinued when on February 16 the Mayor wrote to the former Police Commissioner that the strong words used in his letter on which the suit for \$100,000 was based should not have been applied to Gen. Bingham.

There were expenses incident to the suit, for court costs, witness fees and such matters. Larger than these was the fee paid to Gen. Bingham's lawyer, the total being something like \$10,000.

Mayor Gaynor paid these costs and expenses and it was upon this condition that Gen. Bingham dropped the suit, so that Gen. Bingham comes out of the proceedings with the letter as net profit. He is also holding down a \$7,500 job as consulting engineer to the Bridge Department. This pays the same salary as he got as Police Commissioner, and while the fame attached to it is less the working hours are diminished in proportion. The actual court costs of the suit, which got so far that Mayor Gaynor had been examined before a referee and the case had been marked for trial on February 19, were only \$400 or \$500.

Gen. Bingham's suit was for libel in a letter written by Judge Gaynor to Mayor McCellan. The letter concerned the arrests of a Brooklyn boy named Duffy. Young Duffy's picture was in the rogues' gallery when in March, 1909, Justice Gaynor wrote to Gen. Bingham asking for its removal. Duffy was arrested again the next May and Justice Gaynor wrote a letter to Mayor McCellan asking for the removal of Gen. Bingham. The removal followed.

Here is a part of Mayor Gaynor's testimony before the referee taken on December 20. E. C. Crowsell is questioning:

Q. Judge Gaynor, before you wrote the letter to Mayor McCellan which referred to be dated May 23, 1909, what investigation did you make about this Duffy boy? A. I made a good deal, but I don't remember all of it.

Q. Can you tell us some of the things that you did in that investigation? A. I could tell you that I went to the house and saw the boy, conferring with all of them. I think I even went to their house—yes, I did; and investigated each arrest that they made of him, and found that in no case were they able to make any charge of crime against him.

Q. When did you go to the house? A. I can't tell you; that's just my recollection. I know I went to the house.

Q. How many times? A. I couldn't tell you that. I went to the house and saw the boy, conferring with all of them. I think I even went to their house—yes, I did; and investigated each arrest that they made of him, and found that in no case were they able to make any charge of crime against him.

Q. Did you talk to anybody outside of the Duffy family in regard to the Duffy boy? A. I did, but I can't remember now.

Q. You can't give us a single name? A. I don't know the relevancy it has, whether I do or not, I'm sure.

Q. That's the best answer you can make to me on that question? A. Why do you ask me that? I have answered you.

Later the Mayor's frequent reply to questions being that he didn't remember or had forgotten or thought so but was not sure brought this speech from Mr. Crowsell:

"I cannot proceed further with this examination until I have exhausted the witness's recollection on these points. It is evident that he cannot be exhausted until he turns to whatever sources he has. He says they are not here; I don't know where they are, * * * but he has kept certain records. He can't tell us how extensive or complete they are, but he has some. I think it is only fair that the witness be directed to turn to those and return here at a date to be fixed by the referee to proceed with his examination. Evidently he has made no effort to qualify himself as a witness here. He don't want to know, it would appear."

When Referee Day asked the Mayor if he had any records which would refresh his memory the Mayor answered:

"I don't know about any records. I said I kept those letters. Those are the only records I have. I don't know what obligation I am under to go and spend my time looking up these things for anybody, and I don't know how I can be compelled to."

HOE CASE SETTLEMENT?

Report Current of a Compromise With Margaret Johnson Johns.

It was rumored yesterday that negotiations are pending for a settlement of the three suits brought by Mrs. Margaret Johnson Johns against the estate of Robert Hoe to recover about \$250,000, the chief claim being based on a deed of gift of stock. This suit has been called for trial twice within a week and is set down again for to-day. If the case goes to trial it will take up several weeks and couldn't be finished in the February term.

Edward G. Pringle, counsel for the executors, refused yesterday to discuss the story of a possible settlement and wouldn't say what would happen to the case to-day. At the office of Leventritt, Cook & Nathan, counsel for the plaintiff, it was also announced that no statement would be made.

The defense has taken the testimony of a score of witnesses by commission in London to prove the alleged relations between Robert Hoe and the case goes to trial it will take up several weeks and couldn't be finished in the February term.

Many theories have been advanced as to the possible identity and the motive of the assassin. Many scout the idea that he was a negro, although he may have so appeared in disguise to Mrs. Beach.

Frederick O. Beach was married to the widow of Charles F. Havemeyer, a son of Theodore Havemeyer, at Grace Church on November 28, 1896, by the Rev. Dr. W. R. Huntington. William K. Vanderbilt was best man. The wedding had not been announced and only a few intimate friends were present.

Mrs. Beach is a daughter of Courtland D. Morse. Mr. and Mrs. Beach live at Roslyn, L. I., and usually spend part of the winter at Palm Beach or Aiken. Both are fond of outdoor sports and are noted for their horsemanship.

MORGAN ART WORKS COMING.

First Consignment Destined for the Oceanic—Secrecy as to Shipments.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN.
LONDON, Feb. 27.—The first consignment of the Morgan art collection in the Kensington Museum which is to be shipped to the United States is all packed up and it is understood that it will be shipped by the steamship Oceanic to-morrow.

There is considerable secrecy as to the arrangements for the shipment.

SHOTS IN TWO SALOONS.

Holdup Men Get No Booty and Three Land in the Station House.

There were holdups in two saloons on the West Side late last night within a few hours. But the holdup men got nothing. Three men went into John Conlon's saloon at 1815 Tenth avenue. One man fired twice at Conlon while another vaulted over the bar to get at the cash register. Conlon, who had escaped the bullets, hit him and all three ran out.

Two hours later four men walked in on Saloonkeeper Charles Schlittman in his saloon at 5 West End avenue. Schlittman reached for his gun; one of the intruders fired twice at him. The bullets cut Schlittman's clothes. The four then ran out.

Policemen Sheridan and Pitt gave chase. They caught up with them by boarding a car and at Tenth avenue and Fifty-eighth street Sgt. Quinn, who had joined the chase, caught one. Pitt caught another and Sheridan followed a third into a tenement at 429 West Fifty-sixth street.

The man dived through the glass on the top of a door and hid in bed, where Sheridan found him with his clothes torn. The three were held to await the saloon keepers' identification.

SERVES ONE MINUTE SENTENCE.

Prisoner Complies With Statutory Provision for Imprisonment.

CHICAGO, Feb. 27.—One minute in the custody of a bailiff was part of the sentence imposed by Federal Judge Landis to-day on Frank Cerech, a saloon keeper. In addition Cerech was fined \$50. Cerech pleaded guilty to passing a \$1 note raised to a ten. He declared that he passed the note because he did not want to lose the amount.

"I would ask a small fine," said Capt. Porter of the court service.

"The statute also provides a jail sentence," said the Judge. "Get into the custody of the bailiff for a minute and pay a fine of \$50."

Cerech obeyed and passed out of the court room when the minute elapsed.

FOUR LEAF CLOVER FOR TAFT.

Mrs. Whitley of Philadelphia Sends It With Good Luck Sentiments.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—President Taft received through the mail to-day a four leaf clover from Mrs. S. C. Whitley of Philadelphia with the following sentiment:

"I send you the luck of the four leaf clover. One leaf is for health, one for courage, one for good and fear not and one for success. Success next June, next November and for four years of safe sailing of the ship of state."

MARQUIS WHACKS BARONESS.

Also the baroness's Baron—Fine Row at Fashionable Nice Club.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN.
NICE, Feb. 27.—The Imperial Country Club, the rendezvous here of the richest and best known people in the world, was the scene of a violent altercation this afternoon.

In the presence of 500 persons who had gathered at a reception at the club the Marquis de Montebello struck Baron J. Meyronnet Saint Marc with a heavy stick. He also struck the latter's wife.

Indignant Americans, British lords and German officers rushed up to stop the row and kicked Montebello out of the place.

The trouble arose over a quarrel about women and money.

THINKS SHE'S FOUND A SULLY.

Mrs. John Skelton Williams Buys Old Picture for \$8.

RICHMOND, Va., Feb. 27.—A life sized portrait of an infant about a year old has been purchased by Mrs. John Skelton Williams at a local antique shop. The purchaser paid \$8 for the picture and a handsome frame. She thinks it is a Thomas Sully and easily worth \$5,000.

After the purchase Mrs. Williams turned it over to a local artist to clean. As the face developed as the dirt disappeared the artist found the date of 1851 upon the back of the canvas, also the painter's initials, "T. S.," wrought in monogram. The canvas bears the stamp of a London house and identification of the picture ought to be easy.

The picture has a background of old red shading into dark brown. The baby's face appears to be that of a girl.

FOOD MARKETING CORPORATION.

Dr. Madison C. Peters Planning One for Benefit of Consumers.

The Rev. Madison C. Peters said yesterday he was planning to organize a corporation to carry on in a large way the job of getting food from the producer to the consumer with the least intermediate expense. The capital stock, he said, will be "so distributed as to prevent it from ever getting away from the control of the people or into the hands of private interests for profit and power."

According to Dr. Peters there may be, in addition to a board of directors, an advisory board and a sub-committee of representatives from each of the societies of the city that are interested in the temporal welfare of the people.

It also is proposed to have corporations in other cities, all cooperating in the joint purchase of the more staple eatables.

Meanwhile at Dr. Peters's supply stations at 236 East 118th street, 219 East Seventy-third street and 203 East Sixty-third street "strictly fresh eggs" will be 34 cents a dozen to-day.

BONDS & STOCK CERTIFICATES.

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CONFESSION BARES HOLDUP PLOT